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IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (currently amended) An Internet access system comprising:

determination means for determining whether a telephone number and address presence/absence specifying information are added to input data or not, the address presence/absence specifying information indicating presence/absence of an Internet domain website address for specifying presence/absence of a resource website on the Internet;

an address acquisition section for acquiring the Internet domain website address from a database in which the telephone number and the Internet domain website address are associated, in a case where the determination means determines that the telephone number and the address presence/absence specifying information are added to the input data; and

an address sending section for sending the acquired Internet domain website address;

wherein the determination means effects line connection for communication, in a case where the determination means determines that the address presence/absence specifying information is not added to the input data.

2. (original) An Internet access system according to claim 1, wherein said

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database is generated by a search section for searching resources connected to the Internet, thereby producing correspondency data between the telephone number and the resource name.

3. (original) An Internet access system according to claim 1, wherein said database is generated by searching resources connected to the Internet and finding, on the basis of the telephone number and attribute information associated with the telephone number, the resource name associated with the attribute information.

4. (original) An Internet access system according to claim 1, wherein said database is generated by searching resources connected to the Internet and finding, on the basis of the resource name and attribute information associated with the resource name, the telephone number associated with the attribute information.

5-6. (cancelled)

7. (cancelled)

8. (currently amended) ~~The telephone directory of claim 7~~

A telephone directory comprising:

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a telephone number display section for associatively displaying a telephone number and discrimination information for discriminating whether there is a URL address associated with the telephone number, the discrimination information indicating that the URL address associated with the telephone number can be accessed by inputting the telephone number into a user interface;

wherein the user interface requires that an additional character be input into the interface in addition to the telephone number to access the URL via the user interface.

9. (currently amended) A method applied to an Internet access system comprising the steps of:

determining whether a telephone number and address presence/absence specifying information are added to input data or not, the address presence/absence specifying information indicating presence/absence of an Internet ~~domain~~ website address for specifying presence/absence of a ~~resource~~ website on the Internet;

acquiring the Internet ~~domain~~ website address from a database in which the telephone number and the Internet ~~domain~~ website address are associated, in a case where it is determined in the determining step that the telephone number and the address presence/absence specifying information are added to the input data; and

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sending the acquired Internet ~~domain~~ website address;

wherein in the determining step, line connection for communication is effected, in a case where it is determined in the determining step that the address presence/absence specifying information is not added to the input data.

10. (currently amended) A system comprising:

a database associating a telephone number with a related Internet website ~~domain~~ associated with the telephone number;

an identification information that combines the telephone number with an indicator that indicates whether the telephone number is associated with the related Internet website ~~domain~~ in the database;

a user interface that allows a user to access the identification information and Internet websites ~~domains~~;

wherein if the identification information indicates that a telephone number is associated with a related Internet website ~~domain~~, the user can input the identification information to access the Internet website ~~domain~~ related to the telephone number.

11. (previously presented) The system of claim 10 wherein the indicator is an asterisk.

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12. (previously presented) The system of claim 10 wherein the user interface is a portable telephone having Internet access.

13. (currently amended) The system of claim 12 wherein the user accesses an Internet website ~~domain~~ associated with a known telephone number by inputting known identification information corresponding to the known telephone number into the telephone.

14. (previously presented) The system of claim 13 wherein the known identification information is the known telephone number followed by an indicator in the form of an asterisk.

15. (currently amended) The system of claim 10 wherein if the identification information does not indicate that a telephone number is associated with a related Internet website ~~domain~~, the user can input the identification information to place a telephone call to the telephone number.

16. (currently amended) The Internet access system wherein a user accesses an Internet website ~~domain~~ by inputting both a telephone number

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associated with the Internet website domain and a character indicating that the telephone number is associated with the Internet website domain.

17. (new) The system of claim 16 wherein the inputting is done on a ten digit, pound, and asterisk keypad, and entering only the ten digits, pound, and/or asterisk.

18. (new) An Internet access user terminal configured for conducting at least two types of duplex communications comprising:

a display directory for displaying a list of stored contacts in the form of a contact name, an associated telephone number and an indication of the type of communication where available communication types include telephone communication and web site communication;

said display directory configured to initiate a communication upon user selection of a displayed listed contact such that the type of communication initiated:

corresponds to the communication type indication of the selected displayed contact;

is a telephone communication to the listed telephone number when the communication type indication is for telephone communication; and

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is a web site communication to a URL of a web site associated with the
listed telephone number when the communication type indication is for web site
communication.